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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

FROM : Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - July

DATE: 9 August 1954

ADMINISTRATION

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1. As of 31 July the total personnel on duty was [REDACTED]

2. On 10 July a major reorganization within the Division was approved by DD/A resulting in (1) combining the Near East/Africa and Western Europe Branches to form the Western World Branch; (2) reclassification of some positions; and (3) changes in titles and grade series. The T/O was fixed at the former ceiling of [REDACTED]

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3. The scheduled "PG" interviews for FDD personnel have been completed.

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4. [REDACTED] is on loan to FDD in a clerical capacity per arrangements with the Personnel Placement Division.

5. The Division has acquired a 16 millimeter motion picture projector and screen for presentation of training-aid films.

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6. [REDACTED] of Far East Branch completed teaching a course in Mongolian at NSA. There were eight regular students and four auditors in the class.

OPERATIONS

1. The 30th and 31st meetings of the Subcommittee on Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications met on 9 and 23 July, respectively. The examination of the exploitation of the East European Satellite publications was continued. A draft of a proposed program for FDD exploitation of East European publications was distributed to the committee; action on the proposal will be taken at the next scheduled meeting on 6 August.

2. During the month ten new series of reports were initiated:

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USSR Territorial-Administrative Changes [REDACTED] -- Biweekly
Annotated Bibliographies of Chinese Communist Monographs
(Reference Aid) -- Monthly

Sociological Information Report on China (Summary) -- Biweekly
Military Information Report on China (Summary) -- Monthly
Abstracts of Articles from Unavailable Soviet Scientific
and Technical Serial Publications [REDACTED] -- Monthly

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Tables of Contents of Chinese Communist Periodicals
(Reference Aid) -- Monthly
Annotated Bibliographies of Chinese Communist Scientific
and Technical Monographs (Reference Aid) -- Monthly
Index of Two Chinese Communist Newspapers (Reference
Aid) -- Monthly
Report on USSR Production of Industrial Equipment
(Summary) -- Monthly
USSR Agriculture, Forestry, and Forest-Product Data
(Summary) -- Monthly

3. The FDD Linguist Service handled 713 transactions during the month. Reference to the CTS Index prevented 65 cases of duplication totaling 950 pages.

4. Scientific and Technical Branch has prepared a draft of a 3,000-word Russian-English dictionary of metallurgical terms. The Translation Section, Adjutant General's Office, USAF, has agreed to prepare the Cyrillic and English for reproduction and publication by FDD.

5. Commendations:

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From Chief, Far East Division, DD/P, for the FDD paper on "New Soviet Encyclopedia 'Discovers' Mao Tse-tung" prepared by [REDACTED]

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From Assistant Director/RR for FDD Summary No. 143, "Data on Population and Industry in Dairen, 1938-1943" prepared by [REDACTED]

6. Liaison Activities:

Department of State -- With Biographics Division on FDD capabilities to provide personalities coverage from Chinese, Rumanian, and Albanian publications.

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With Division of Research for Far East, and Acquisition and Distribution Division, [REDACTED] Chief, FDD, reached tentative agreement on primary responsibilities of FDD and [REDACTED] in exploitation of Chinese publications. FDD will draw up a program for submittal to the State Department.

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Department of the Army, G-2 -- To supply bibliographical material on USSR motor vehicles, tractors, and engines.

To discuss requirements for an Eastern Europe military report.

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With the Office of the Chief of Psychological Warfare to discuss evaluation of "Psychological Warfare Country Plans, Annex A on Vietnam." FDD analyst will complete detailed evaluation on two-week tour of active duty in the Office of the Chief of Psychological Warfare. [REDACTED]

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7. Special services rendered:

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For Economic Intelligence Committee Secretariat, a list was prepared of economic research collection reports produced by FDD in the first half of 1954. The list will be published in the next EIC report.

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8. Significant reports:

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[REDACTED] -- Status of major Polish investment projects

FDD Translation No. 335 -- The textile industry of Northeast China

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[REDACTED] -- Recent USSR trends in work on synthetic plant-growth regulators

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Enclosures: 2

Statistical Report on FDD Operations
Details on Personnel Actions

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